



# Illinois Crop Production

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**Corn:** Planted area is estimated at 11.8 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 11.7 million acres, is also down 1 percent from the previous year. Based on August 1 conditions, the Illinois corn yield is forecast at 172 bushels per acre, down 28 bushels from 2014. Production is forecast at 2.00 billion bushels, 15 percent below the previous year.

**Soybeans:** Planted area is estimated at 10.1 million acres, up 3 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 10.08 million acres, is up 3 percent from 2014. Based on August 1 conditions, the Illinois soybean yield is forecast at 53 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels from 2014. If realized, this would be the second highest yield on record for the state. Production is forecast at 534 million bushels, a 2 percent decrease from last year's record production level.

**Winter wheat:** Harvested area in 2015 is forecast at 560,000 acres, down 16 percent from the previous year. The winter wheat yield is forecast at 65 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from the July 1 forecast and down 2 bushels from 2014. Production is forecast at 36.4 million bushels, 19 percent below the previous year.

## Crop Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production – Illinois: 2014 and Forecasted August 1, 2015

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn for grain <sup>1</sup> .....bushels	11,900	11,800	11,750	11,650	200.0	172.0	2,350,000	2,003,800
Soybeans .....bushels	9,800	10,100	9,780	10,080	56.0	53.0	547,680	534,240
Sorghum for grain <sup>1</sup> .....bushels	23	45	21	43	106.0	109.0	2,226	4,687
Winter Wheat .....bushels	740	590	670	560	67.0	65.0	44,890	36,400
Oats .....bushels	35	30	25	20	80.0	75.0	2,000	1,500
Alfalfa hay ..... tons	(NA)	(NA)	270	300	4.00	3.70	1,080	1,110
All other hay ..... tons	(NA)	(NA)	250	275	2.70	2.50	675	688
Potatoes, summer .....cwt	6.5	7.5	6.4	6.9	415	340	2,656	2,346

(NA) Not available

<sup>1</sup> Area planted for all purposes.

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